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SUBJECT: FURTHER PARLIAMENTARY DELAY OF SECURITY COURT LEGISLATION  
  
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1. THE DEMIREL GOVT'S ATTEMPT TO ENACT NEW STATE SECURITY COURT (SSC) LEGISLATION BEFORE THE COURTS ARE ABOLISHED OCT 11 AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT (REFTTEL) RAN AFOUL OF ANOTHER DELAYING TACTIC BY THE OPPOSITION REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP). THE ACTING SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, RPP DEPUTY OKTAY EKSI, RULED THAT THE EMERGENCY SESSION OF THE PARLIAMENT HAD ENDED AND WAS ADJOURNED UNTIL NOV 1 AFTER TWO QUORUM CALLS SEPT 23 REVEALED THAT A QUORUM WAS NOT PRESENT.

2. SUPPORTERS OF THE SSC LEGISLATION IMMEDIATELY REACTED TO EKSİ'S RULING. PRIMIN DEMIREL, ADDRESSING AN EMERGENCY CAUCUS OF THE JUSTICE PARTY ASSEMBLY GROUP, STATED "THE NATION WILL MAKE SHORT WORK OF THE RPP. WE MUST EXPOSE THEM TO THE NATION. THE ARCH-ARCHITECT OF ANARCHY HAS BEEN CAUGHT RED-HANDED." DEMOCRATIC PARTY (DP) CHAIRMAN BOZBEYLI  
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TOLD REPORTERS THAT EKSİ HAD VIOLATED THE STANDING ORDERS

OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THAT THE SESSION SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
ADJOURNED ONLY UNTIL SEPT 28.

3. A JP-INSPIRED EFFORT TO RECONVENE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY  
BY A PETITION SIGNED BY 90 DEPUTIES SUCCEEDED AND TURKISH  
RADIO AND TELEVISION (TRT) RADIO ANNOUNCED SEPT 24 THAT  
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WOULD RESUME DEBATES ON THE SSC  
LEGISLATION SEPT 30.

4. COMMENT: REGARDLESS OF THE QUESTIONABLE LEGALITY OF  
EKSI'S MOVE, IT WILL LIKELY RESULT IN A DEFINITE INCREASE  
IN PARTISAN ACTIONS IN THE PARLIAMENT, WITH THE JP AND ITS  
ALLIES SEEKING OPPORTUNITIES TO RETALIATE. THE RPP ACTION  
SUCCEEDED IN DELAYING CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL BY A FEW DAYS  
AND INCREASED THE ODDS AGAINST PASSAGE OF A BILL BY OCT 11.  
ON THE OTHER HAND, IT MAY RESULT IN AN INCREASED WILLING-  
NESS OF THE COALITION PARTNERS TO COLLABORATE ON A COMPROMISE  
BILL RATHER THAN SEE THE ABOLITION OF THE SECURITY COURTS.  
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